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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Monday, 14 December 1953

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Messrs. Wisner, Amory, Kirkpatrick,  
[redacted] Sheldon, Houston, [redacted]

Mr. Dulles:

a. Discussed the situation in Korea with those present and asked:  
(1) DD/I to obtain the views of the Department of State on the legal  
situation which might result due to a breakdown of negotiations; (2)  
[redacted] to sharpen up our intelligence coverage in Korea. In this  
connection, the Director stated he wanted to have another go at the  
[redacted]

b. Noted he had received a telephone call from Mr. Rand in FOA  
respecting the possibility of that Agency making a contribution to the  
support of [redacted] and stated he (DCI) might be willing  
to make available an additional [redacted] provided FOA and CIA had no  
reservations about any of the personnel connected with the [redacted]  
After some discussion the Director asked DD/P to get in touch with the  
appropriate people in FOA and prepare a brief memorandum on this matter  
in sufficient time for the next OCB Meeting.

c. Noted a letter from [redacted] respecting the  
[redacted] affair, and stated he believed our best purposes could be served  
by severing [redacted] connection with [redacted] After some discussion the  
Director asked that a reply be prepared for his signature by Mr. Wisner,  
in coordination with DD/I and the Inspector General.

d. Noted a memorandum respecting an item in the 9 December issue  
of the Current Intelligence Bulletin, published by the FBI, pertaining  
to purchases being made in the US by members of the Soviet Mission  
here, and stated the President had indicated an interest in this. The  
Director undertook to "discuss this intelligence" with Mr. Cutler and  
asked Messrs. [redacted] and Sheldon to determine whether CIA received a  
copy of the above-mentioned Bulletin.

General Cabell:

Reported he had received a call from [redacted] who indicated  
that he had to have an answer not later than tomorrow as to CIA's  
position regarding the Physical Security Equipment Agency. General  
Cabell said he had advised [redacted] that we could not give a  
decision on this matter on such short notice; however, if one had to  
be given, we could not agree to the transfer of any of this Agency's  
functions to CIA. After some discussion the Director asked that a  
memorandum for the record be prepared for him of our conversations  
respecting the future of the Physical Security Equipment Agency, and  
approved General Cabell's recommendation that we continue our study  
of possible duplication of activities between TSS and that Agency.

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Mr. Kirkpatrick:

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b. Received the Director's approval to give "the facts" on the  
[redacted] case to the Department of Justice.

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Asked the Director to arrange an appointment with Senator Knowland  
for Messrs. [redacted] for the purpose of enlisting his  
aid in our problem with CAT. (NOTE: Subsequent to the Meeting, the  
Director telephoned the Senator but was informed he would be out of  
town until Wednesday, at which time he would return the Director's  
call.)

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